COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

BERKSHIRE GAS COMPANY

D.T.E. 01-56

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S NINTH SET OF DOCUMENT AND INFORMATION REQUESTS

The following is the Attorney General's NINTH SET of Information Requests in the above referenced docket to be answered according to the instructions already issued by the Attorney General.

- AG-9-1 Please provide a "soft" copy of the accounting cost of service model as used to produce the results summarized in Schedule PMN-4. The response should be a working model which can be run on a PC capable of running Lotus 123 and Excel. Include all documentation describing the operation of the model including how data are input and reports are generated–specifically how the removal of CGA and LDAC costs would be made and external allocators changed.
- AG-9-2 Refer to Exhibit KLZ-1, PCM Terms and Conditions. Please provide an illustration of how the Company would determine the "Total Rate Adjustment" as set out in the "Template for Annual Price Change" using the Company's proposed revenue level as the year 2000 revenues ("Prior Year Distribution Revenues"), assume the Company incurred a net Service Quality Penalty of \$100,000 and the resulting rate adjustment was to have been effective on September 1, 2001. Include a description of the individual rate element changes the Company might make under these conditions.
- AG-9-3 Refer to Exhibit KLZ-1, PCM Terms and Conditions. Please explain what is meant by the "Accounting Issues" provision regarding the deferral of costs. What is the basis for this provision and what specific "costs" are included? Provide copies of all "existing accounting orders" referred to in this provision.
- AG-9-4 Refer to Exhibit KLZ-1, PCM Terms and Conditions. Is it the Company's proposal to make this document a tariff. Please explain the Company's reasoning.

- AG-9-5 Refer to Ms. Zink's Testimony, 15 of 43. Please provide a list of customers (mask the customers' identities) that currently qualify for the proposed pricing flexibility discussed. Identify the class of each customer, the test year revenue for each customer, test year bill determinants (volumetric and demand), for each dual fueled customer, the alternate fuel type, the approximate distance to the nearest bypass option and identify the bypass option.
- AG-9-6 Please provide copies of all special contracts (sales and transportation, firm and non-firm) in effect during the test year. Include copies of the original agreements, all amendments, attachments and pricing terms. For each special contract customer please provide the test year revenue, and actual bill determinants. If any of these special contracts are no longer in effect, please identify and provide an explanation of the current status of each such customer (business closed, relocated, tariffed customer–specify rate class, switched to alternate fuel, bypassed Berkshire, etc.).
- AG-9-7 Please provide copies of all special contracts (sales and transportation, firm and non-firm) entered into since the end of the test year. Include copies of the original agreements, all amendments, attachments and pricing terms. For each special contract customer please provide the year to date (through August, 2001) revenue, and actual bill determinants. If any of these special contracts are no longer in effect, please identify and provide an explanation of the current status of each such customer (business closed, relocated, tariffed customer–specify rate class, switched to alternate fuel, bypassed Berkshire, etc.).

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